

## WORCESTER ART & HIGGINS ARMORY MUSUEMS THURSDAY, MAY 8, 2014



**EVENT:** Worchester Art Museum - The Worcester Art Museum is world-renowned for its 35,000-piece collection of paintings, sculpture, decorative arts, photography, prints, drawings and new media. The works span 5,000 years of art and culture. View paintings by Cassatt, Gauguin, Goya, Monet, Sargent and Whistler; admire floor mosaics from the ancient city of Antioch; see cutting-edge contemporary art; and discover the Museum's many other treasures. Special exhibitions showcase the masterworks, seldom-seen gems, and important works on loan.

Higgins Armory Museum - The art-deco building, which the museum still occupies today, was one of the first all steel and glass curtain-wall structures built in America; it was placed on the National Register of Historic Places in 1980. Inside the museum's Great Hall, high ceilings and gothic arches are reminiscent of a medieval castle and offer a powerful setting for the museum's collection. The collection, approximately 2000 pieces in all, includes major examples of arms and armor from medieval and Renaissance Europe, Ancient Greece and Rome, Africa, the Middle East, India, and Japan. On display are two dozen full suits of armor for battle, jousting, and courtly ceremony, in addition to swords, staff weapons, firearms, and artwork from the age of knightly armor. The American Association of Museums in its most recent reaccreditation report described the museum as "a place of national significance ... with superb collections."

**<u>DATE:</u>** The date selected is Thursday, May 8, 2014. We will depart the Exeter Recreation Center parking lot at 9:30am and will be returning to Exeter approximately 4:00pm.

**<u>COST:</u>** The cost of the tour includes admission to both Museums and transportation in the Recreation Department's van.

Lunch for this trip is onsite at the Museum Café with indoor & outdoor seating

RESIDENTS / NON-RESIDENTS	Trip Code
\$25.00/pp	252313-1A

**<u>DEADLINE:</u>** The deadline to register is Friday, April 18, 2014, or once the van is sold out.

Note: We need a minimum of 7 people registered. Max of 13 people.

<u>GUIDELINES</u>: Registrants must sit in the same seat(s) on the return trip as they sat in on the first part of the trip. **If** you have a need requiring you to sit in a particular area, please let the Recreation Office know when you register for the trip. The staff will relay to the trip escort that he/she needs to be sure you get the necessary seat. **Parents** are expected to have complete control of their children at all times throughout the trip.

Exeter Parks & Recreation Department sponsored trips are designed to provide members of the Exeter Community - families, friends, and individuals alike - with safe, relaxing and enjoyable sports and entertainment experiences. To ensure these goals, the Exeter Parks and Recreation Department has established a policy of prohibiting the possession and use of alcohol and other drugs while on board. In addition, for the health and comfort of all travelers, smoking (in any form) is also prohibited. Your cooperation in adhering to these policies is greatly appreciated. PLEASE MAKE YOUR CHECK PAYABLE TO THE EXETER RECREATION DEPARTMENT. SORRY, NO REFUNDS UNLESS THE EVENT IS CANCELLED BY VENUE. THERE WILL BE A \$20 FEE CHARGED FOR EACH BANK RETURNED CHECK.

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